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1. If conference votes MCM totals which are materially higher than those agreed to in June, you are instructed to table the reservation in the following paragraph.
2. The US Delegation reserves its position with regard to the above data and respectfully submits that the considered points of view on the part of the US Delegation are based on good evidence from a wide variety of sources and on extensive, continuous analysis utilizing sound methodologies. Further, the US Delegation believes that the seriousness of the MBFR data problem obliges this conference to put forward to NATO authorities, capitals, and the Ad Hoc Group in Vienna the most accurate information available on Warsaw Pact ground and air force manpower strengths in the NATO Guidelines Area. The US Delegation is not convinced that the data thus far agreed upon by the majority at this conference are the most accurate information. We believe the better data are as follows:
(to be supplied by the US Delegation).
3. You may consult with UK Delegation in advance of announcing this reservation and welcome UK adherence to it.

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